

RESOLUTION OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY RE:
AUTHORIZATION TO PROCLAIM MINOR MODIFICATION OF THE
URBAN RENEWAL PLAN OF THE BEDFORD-WEST URBAN RENEWAL
PROJECT MASS. -182.

WHEREAS, the Urban Renewal Plan for the Bedford-West Urban Renewal Area was adopted by the Boston Redevelopment Authority on February 8, 1973, and approved by the City Council of the City of Boston on April 23, 1973; and

WHEREAS, Section 1201 of Chapter 12 of said plan entitled: "Modification" provides that the Urban Renewal Plan may be modified at any time by the Boston Redevelopment Authority without further approval provided that the proposed modification does not substantially or materially alter or change the plan; and

WHEREAS, Section 603 of said Urban Renewal Plan, entitled: "Controls on Disposition Parcel" allows on Parcel C-1, as an alternative use, Transient Housing; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is cognizant of Chapter 781 of the Acts and Resolves of 1972 with respect to minimizing.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Boston Redevelopment Authority:

1. That Section 603 entitled: Controls on Disposition Parcel C-1, page 10, Alternative Use: Transient Housing, be deleted.
2. That the proposed modification is found to be a minor modification which does not substantially or materially alter or change the plan.
3. That all other provisions of said plan not inconsistent herewith be and are continued in full force and effect.
4. That it is hereby found and determined that the proposed development will not result in significant damage to or impairment of the environment and further that all practicable and feasible means and measures have been taken and are being utilized to avoid or minimize damage to the environment.

5. That the Director be and hereby is authorized to proclaim by certificate this minor modification of the plan, all in accordance with the provisions of the Urban Renewal Plan Handbook, RHM 7207.1 Circular dated June 3, 1970.

MEMORANDUM

To: Boston Redevelopment Authority
From: Robert T. Kenney, Director
Date: 2 May 1974
Subject: BEDFORD-WEST URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT MASS. R-182
Proclaimer of Minor Modification of Urban
Renewal Plan

Summary:

This memorandum requests Authority approval of a minor modification of the Bedford-West Urban Renewal Project. This modification concerns deleting the alternative use of transient housing for Disposition Parcel C-1 and authorizing the Director to proclaim by certificate this minor modification.

According to the provisions of the Bedford-West Urban Renewal Plan, as approved by the Authority and the City Council, Disposition Parcel C-1 is designated as an alternative use for Transient Housing. Although there is a substantiated need for additional transient housing units in the downtown area, our review indicates that transient housing would be inappropriate for this particular site. It is anticipated that the Bedford-West site will be developed for its primary designated use of retail and related activities consistent with the Central Business District Plan.

Consequently, in order to expedite Federal approval of the Loan and Grant application, it is recommended that the alternate use of Transient Housing be deleted from the plan.

It has been determined that said modification is minor in nature in that it does not constitute a fundamental change in the overall project nor does it materially or substantially alter or change the plan.

An appropriate Resolution is attached.